(d) if so, whehter Government have taken appropriate steps in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) As on 31.3.2000, there were 3.26 lakh establishments and 245.37 lakh employees covered under the EPF & MP Act. 1952.

(b) to (d) In Hauz Khas and Safdarjung Development Area, there are three establishments names as M/s. Vivek Associates, M/s. G.S. Jain & Associates, M/s. J P S Associates, Hauz Khas, New Delhi. M/s. Vivek Associates is reported to be lying closed since June, 1980. M/s. G.S. Jain & Associates and M/s. J P S Asociates have complied with provisions of the EPF & MP Act upto October 2000 and November 2000 respectively. Necessary action for securing compliance as required under the EPF Scheme is already being taken by the EPF Organisation.

Contract labourers in private companies

†4485. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of contract labourers working at present in the offices of private sector companies in Delhi;
 - (b) the category of such labourers; and
- (c) the service conditions and rules laid down for these labourers togetherwith the details of the salary, dearness allowance, leave and other facilities being given to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) and (b) Data relating to number of contract labourers working in private-sector companies in Delhi is not maintained. However, under the Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act, 1970, during the years 1999

[†]Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

and 2000 licences have been issued by the appropriate Governments to the contractors for engaging 17,408 contract labourers. These contract labourers are mainly engaged in skilled, semi-skilled and unskilled jobs relating to construction, loading/unloading, security services, repair and maintenance etc.

(c) The wage rates, holidays, hours of work and conditions of services of the contract labourers are governed by clause (iv) and Sub-clauses (a) and (b) of clause (v) of sub-rule 2 of rule 25 of the Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Central Rules, 1971. Further, the contract labourers are also entitled to leave, bonus, welfare and health facilities, social security benefits etc. under the provisions of various labour laws.

Loss of jobs due to closure

4486. SHRI C.O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of workers and employees who lost their jobs during the last three years due to closure of various industries in the country, State-wise; and
 - (b) the number of closed/sick industries in the country, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) and (b) According to provisional information available with the Labour Bureau, the number of establishments closed down under the Industrial Dispute Act 1947 (State-wise) and workers affected as a result of this during the last three years is given in the Statement.